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Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed August 12, 2003, with a shortened statutory period set to expire on November 12, 2003. This paper is filed within the set period for response such that no extension of time is necessary.

Please consider the following remarks: